Erosion causel by River Padma

659. SHRI MD. SALIM:
SHRIMATI CHANDRAKALA PANDEY:

Will the Ministed of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the severe erosion and catastrophy caused thereby by the river Padma, during the last seventeen years from Farakka to Jalangi coering a distance of 94 km in West Bengal;

(b) if so, how many human lives were last were last and what is the extent of loss of landed property including the damage done to crops and dwelling houses and what measures are going to be taken to check the erosion and the amount of fund allotted by the Central Government; and

(c) whether there is any comprehensive plan to check the erosion along the left bank of river Padma in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K THUNGON): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Ganga|Padma being a alluvial river is meandering and during the process of meander, the river course goes on shifting resulting in bank erosion at different places. Government of West Bengal has informed that an area of 12.5 sq.km, 9 villages, population of 8256 were affected and 96 houses were damaged during 1994 flood. Government of West Bengal is being requested to furnish the information about the remaining period. There was no report of loss of any human life. Flood control being a State subject, funding and management of flood control schemes including anti-erosion works are done by the States themselve from their own resources according to their own priorities.

(c) GFCC had prepared a comprehensive plan for flood control in the main Ganga/Padma and this has been forwarded to the State Government for formulating individual schemes.

Erosion in Murshidabad District

660 SHRI JIBON ROY:
SHRI MD. SALIM:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to check the erosion which are taking place in Murshidabad district on the bank of Padma river; and

(b) if so, the details thereof

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) The investigation, planning and execution of anti-erosion schemes are undertaken by the State Governments out of their own plan funds for flood control sector and in accordance with their own priorities. The Centre renders assistance in works that are technical, catalytical and promotional in nature. Government of West Bengal has been taking necessary pallative measures to counter erosive action of the river depending on the gravity of situation and availability of fund. During 1994-95, State Government has taken up execution of anti erosion works of Shekhalipur and Chintamony villages, P. S. Lalgola district, Murshidabad.

अनसूचित जनजातियों की सूची में गैर-अनुसूचित जनजातियों को सम्मिलित किया जाना

661. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव : क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या अनुसूचित जन-जाति के प्रतिनिधियों से परामर्श किए बिना गैर-अनुसूचित जनजातियों को अनसूचित जनजातियों में शामिल किए जाने का कोई प्रस्ताव है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके कारण क्या हैं ;